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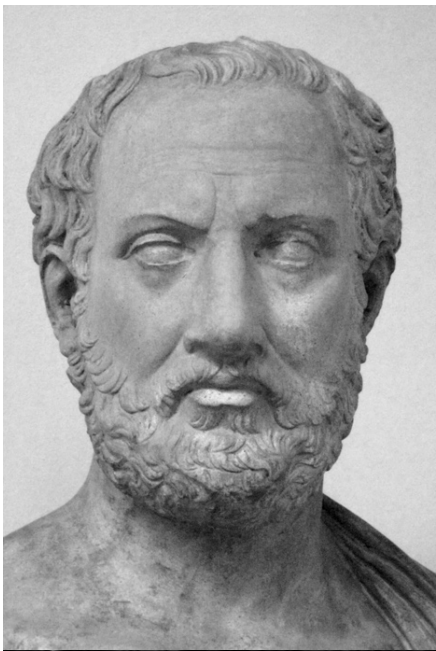
HIV Vaccine Development

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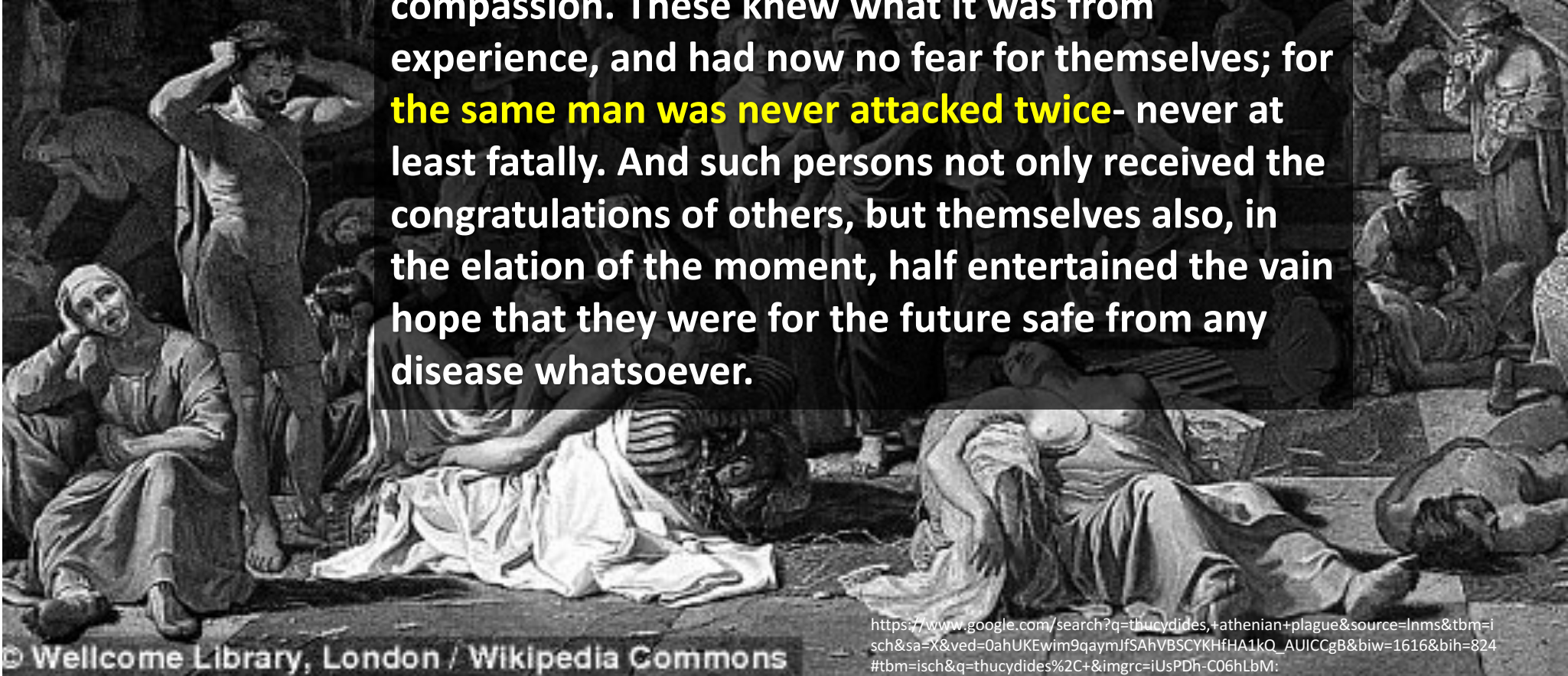
If it was easy it
would be done
already!!!





Acquired Immunity: Thucydides on the Plague of Athens in History of the Peloponnesian War 2.40, 431 BX

Yet it was with those who had recovered from the disease that the sick and the dying found most compassion. These knew what it was from experience, and had now no fear for themselves; for **the same man was never attacked twice**- never at least fatally. And such persons not only received the congratulations of others, but themselves also, in the elation of the moment, half entertained the vain hope that they were for the future safe from any disease whatsoever.



Vaccines Licensed for Use in the United States

<https://www.fda.gov/BiologicsBloodVaccines/Vaccines/ApprovedProducts/UCM093833>

Adenovirus Type 4 and Type 7 Vaccine, Live, Oral
Anthrax Vaccine Adsorbed
BCG Live
BCG Live
Cholera Vaccine Live Oral
Diphtheria & Tetanus Toxoids Adsorbed
Diphtheria & Tetanus Toxoids & Acellular Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed
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Diphtheria & Tetanus Toxoids & Acellular Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed, Hepatitis B (recombinant) and Inactivated Poliovirus Vaccine Combined
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Haemophilus b Conjugate Vaccine (Meningococcal Protein Conjugate)
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Haemophilus b Conjugate Vaccine (Meningococcal Protein Conjugate) & Hepatitis B Vaccine (Recombinant)
Hepatitis A Vaccine, Inactivated
Hepatitis A Vaccine, Inactivated
Hepatitis A Inactivated and Hepatitis B (Recombinant) Vaccine
Hepatitis B Vaccine (Recombinant)
Hepatitis B Vaccine (Recombinant)
Human Papillomavirus Quadrivalent (Types 6, 11, 16, 18) Vaccine, Recombinant
Human Papillomavirus 9-valent Vaccine, Recombinant
Human Papillomavirus Bivalent (Types 16, 18) Vaccine, Recombinant
Influenza A (H1N1) 2009 Monovalent Vaccine
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Influenza Virus Vaccine, H5N1 (for National Stockpile)
Influenza A (H5N1) Virus Monovalent Vaccine, Adjuvanted
Influenza Vaccine, Adjuvanted

Successful Vaccines To Date

**Largely a triumph of
empiricism, luck and
fortuitously tractable targets**

First, the probable cause of AIDS has been found to be a variant of a known human cancer virus, called HTLV-III. Second, not only has the agent been identified, but a new process has been developed to mass produce this virus. This discovery is crucial because it enables us for the first time to characterize the agent in detail and to understand its behavior. Thirdly, with discovery of both the virus and this new process, we now have a blood test for AIDS which we hope can be widely available within about six months. We have applied for the patent on this process today. With the blood test, we can identify AIDS victims with essentially 100

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<http://www.webmd.com/hiv-aids/guidelines/aids-retrospecti>

HIV Vaccine Efficacy Studies: 1984-2017

Vax 003

gp120 protein

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gp120 protein

HVTN 502 (STEP)

Ad5

HVTN 503 (Phambili)

Ad5

RV144

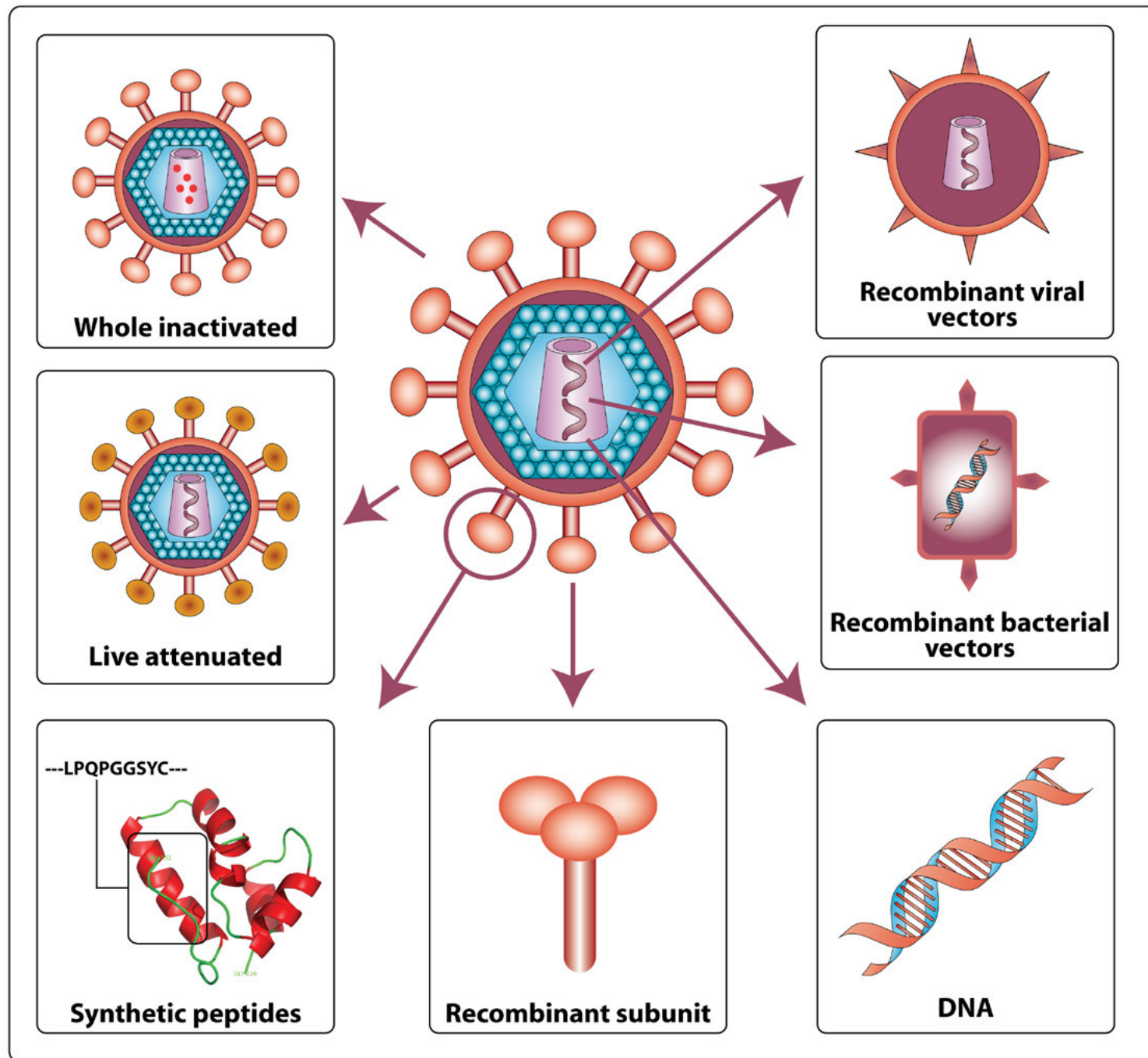
Pox/protein

HVTN 702

Pox/Protein

Principles of Successful Vaccine Development

- **Purpose of vaccines: Prevent infection vs. prevent disease**
- **Examples of naturally occurring (post-convalescent) immunity**
- **Immune correlate of protection**
- **Animal model**



Challenges to HIV Vaccine Development

- **No natural clearance; rare control**
- **Diversity, mutation, escape**
- **Attacks, eliminates/disables key immune cells**
- **Differential kinetics, virus, immunity**
- **Conformational complexity**
- **Glycoshield**
- **Integration/latency**

Global influenza 1996



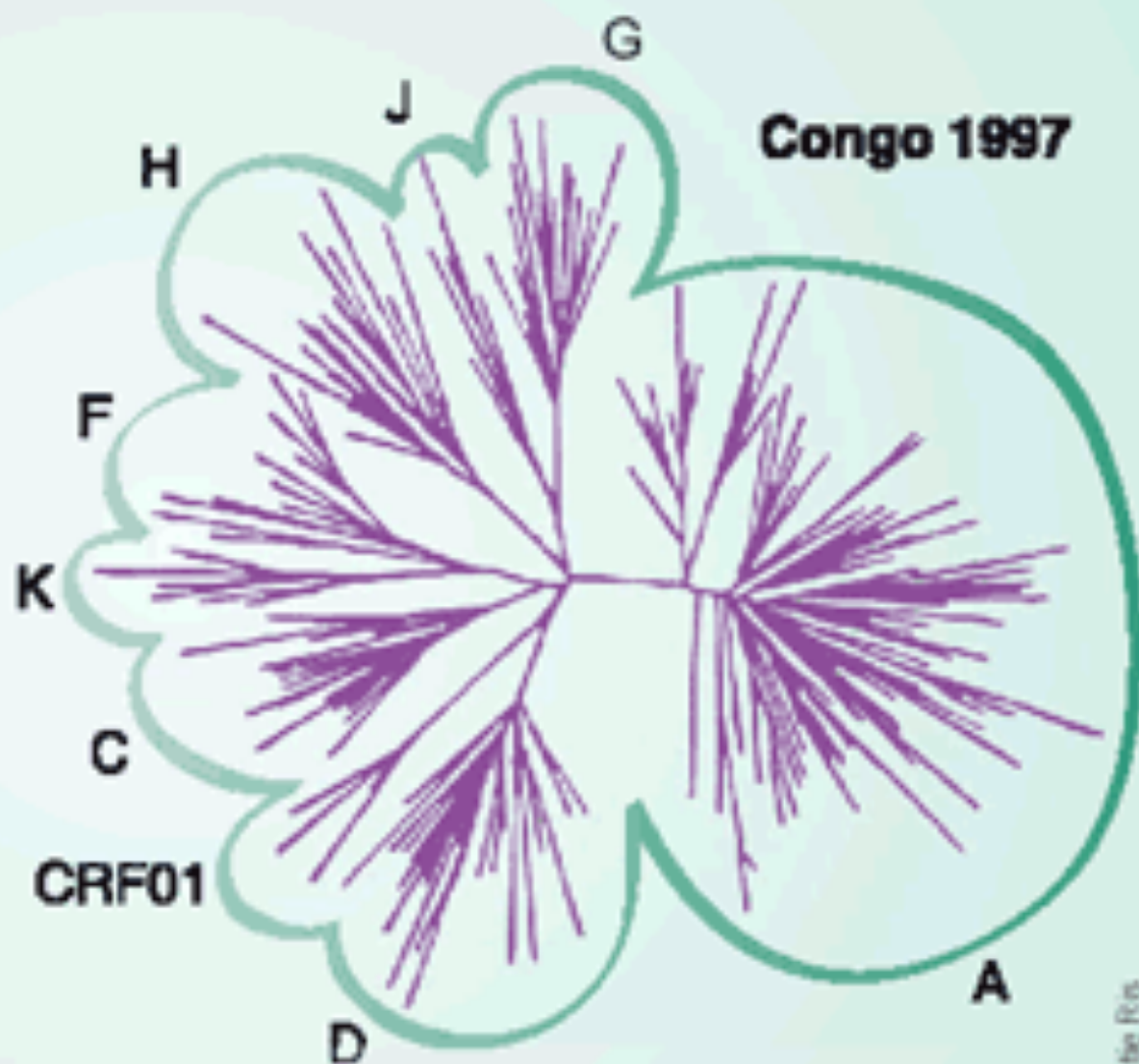
HIV single individual
6 years after infection



HIV Amsterdam cohort 1991



10%



Katie Rios

Mechanisms of vaccine protection: no real correlate of protection from natural infection studies

Vaccine approaches: Targets

Humoral:

NAb (potency/breadth)

Non-NAb/Fc Functional Ab (ADCC, etc)

T cell immunity (Elite controllers)

Innate/Adjuvants

Vaccine approaches: Immunogens

Prime boost

Killed, subunit, SOSIP trimer,

Live vectors

Replication incompetent

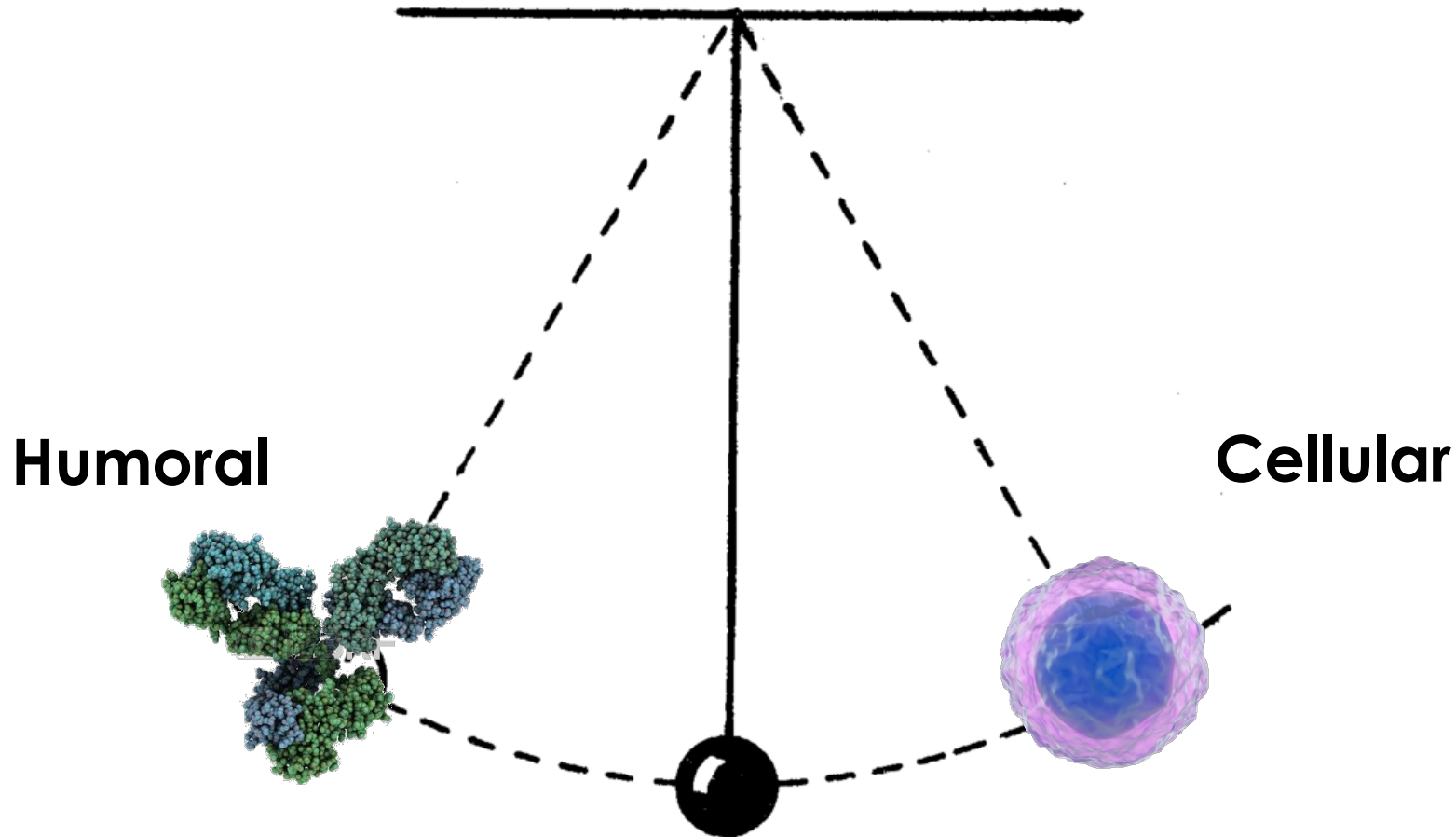
Replication competent

Nucleic acids: DNA, RNA

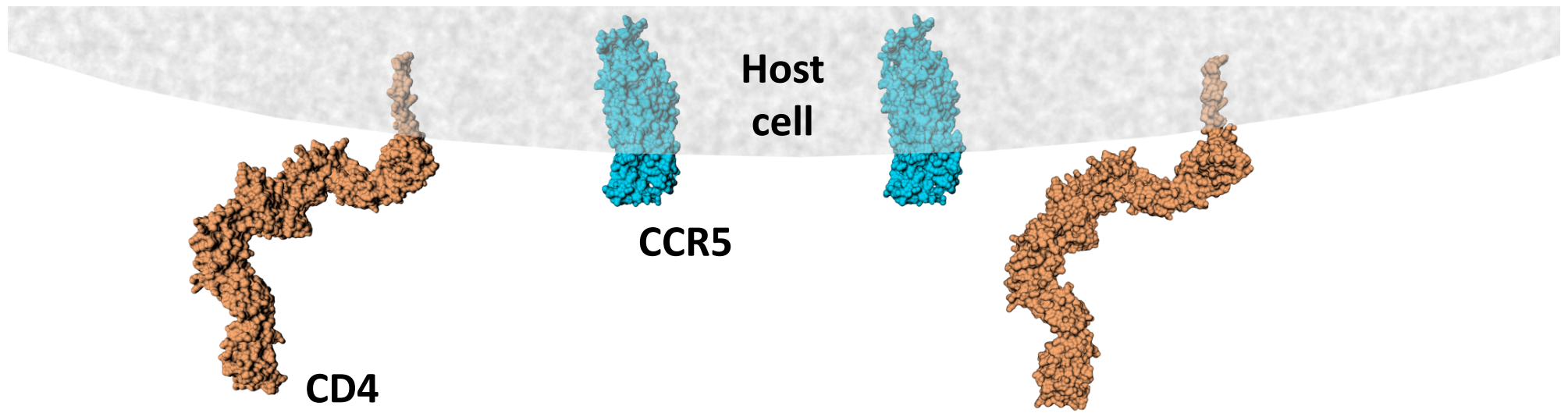
Consensus, Conserved, Mosaic inserts

Immunization Scheme

Humoral/Cellular Pendulum in HIV Vaccine Development

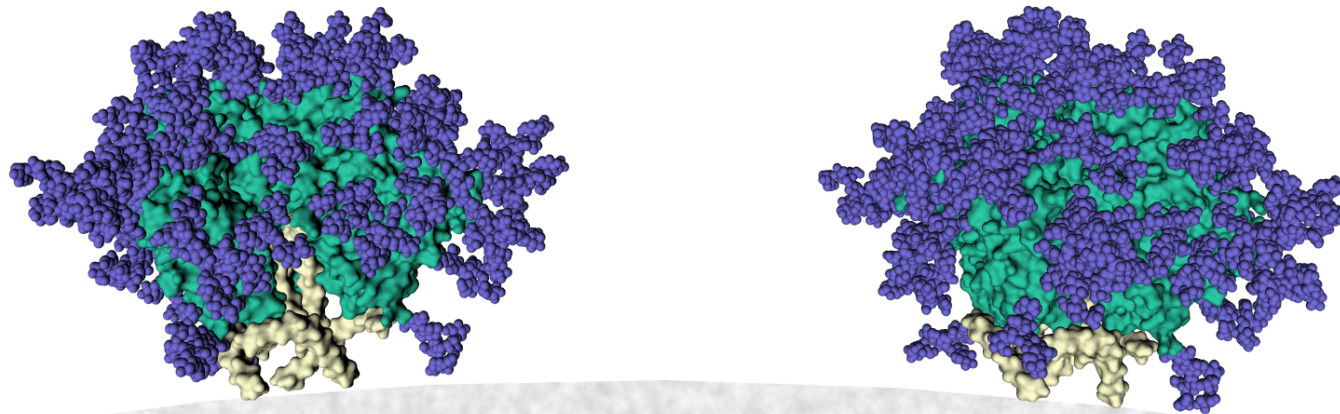


Neutralizing Ab directed vaccines



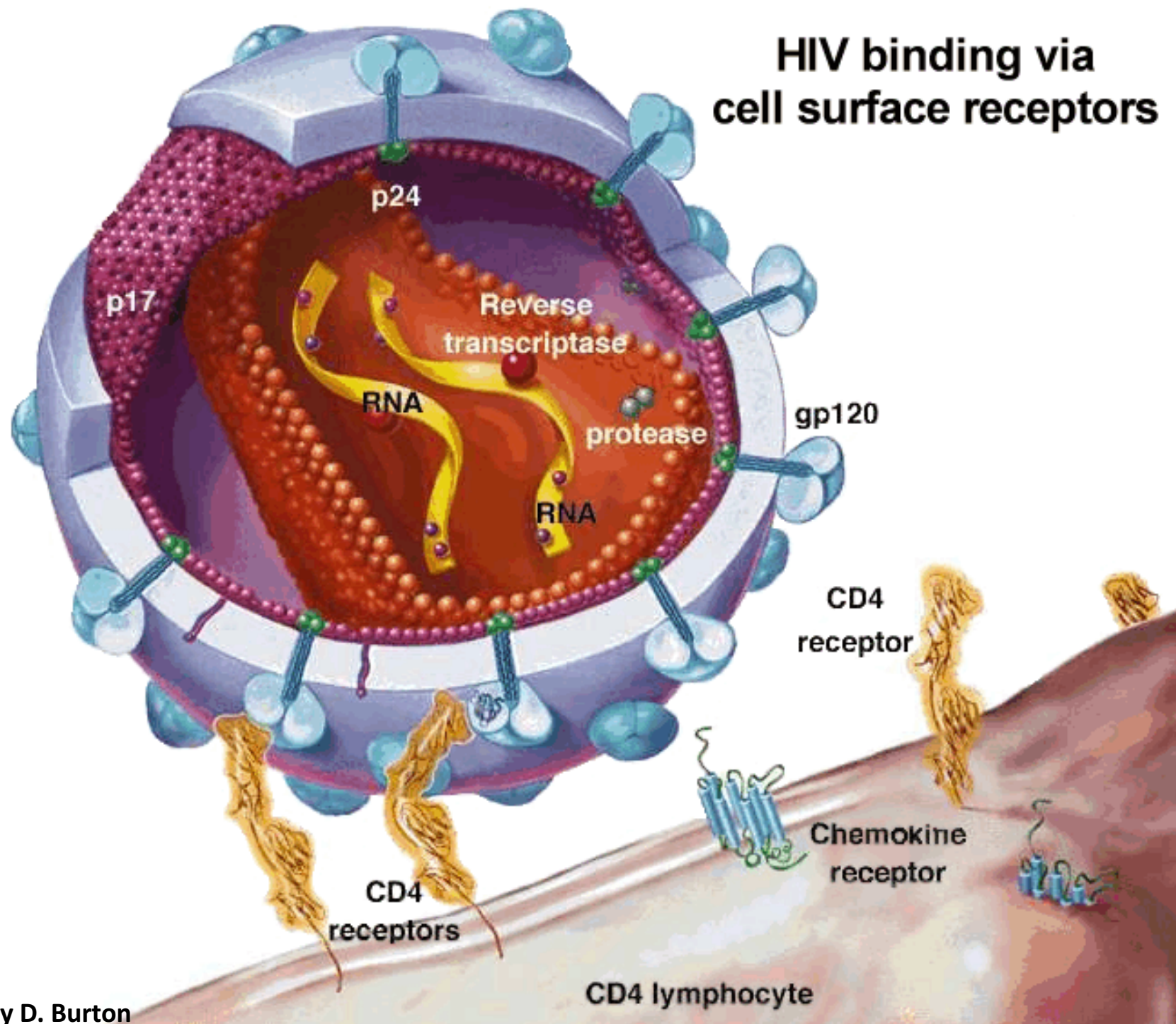
HIV Entry

Env spike = $(gp120)_3 (gp41)_3$



HIV

HIV binding via cell surface receptors

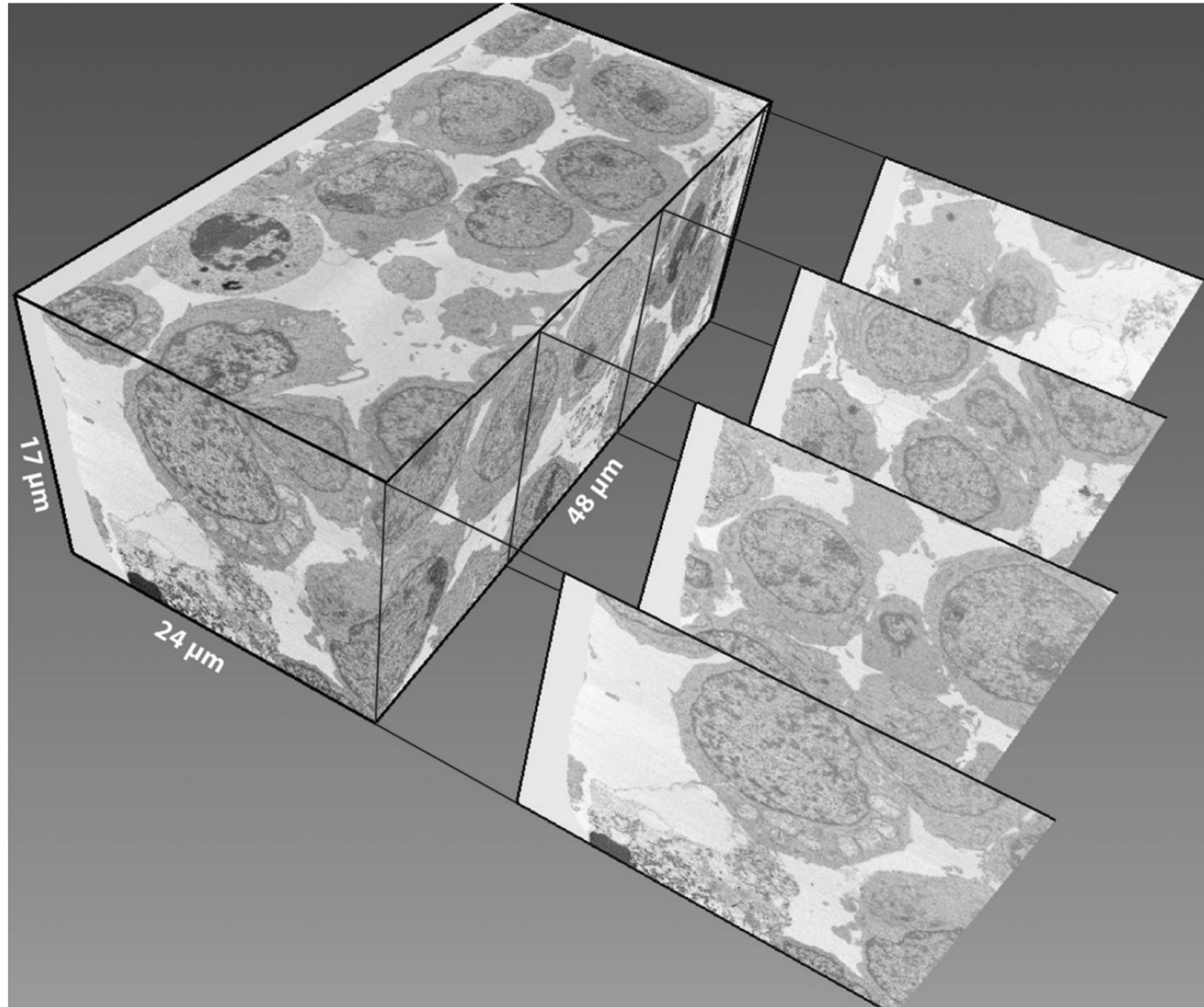




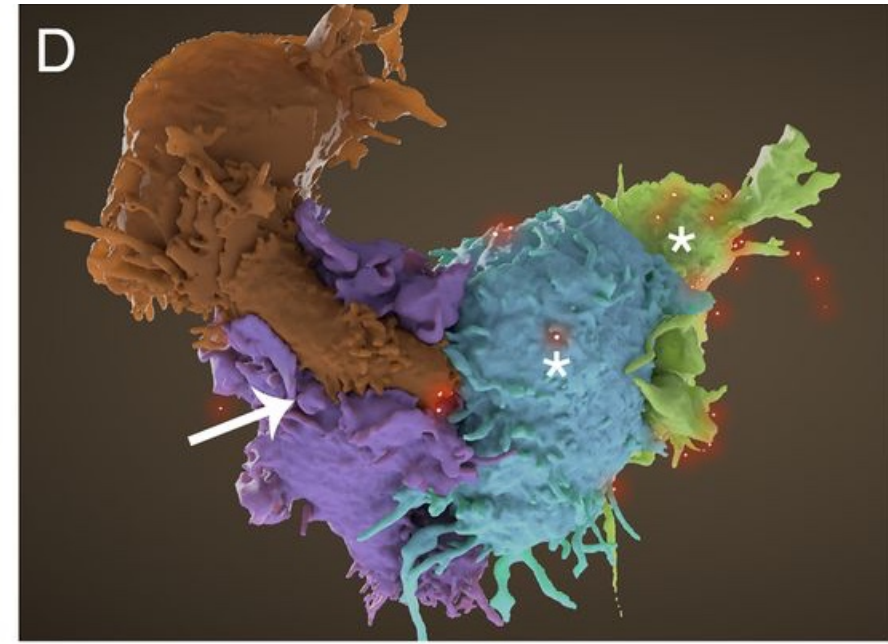
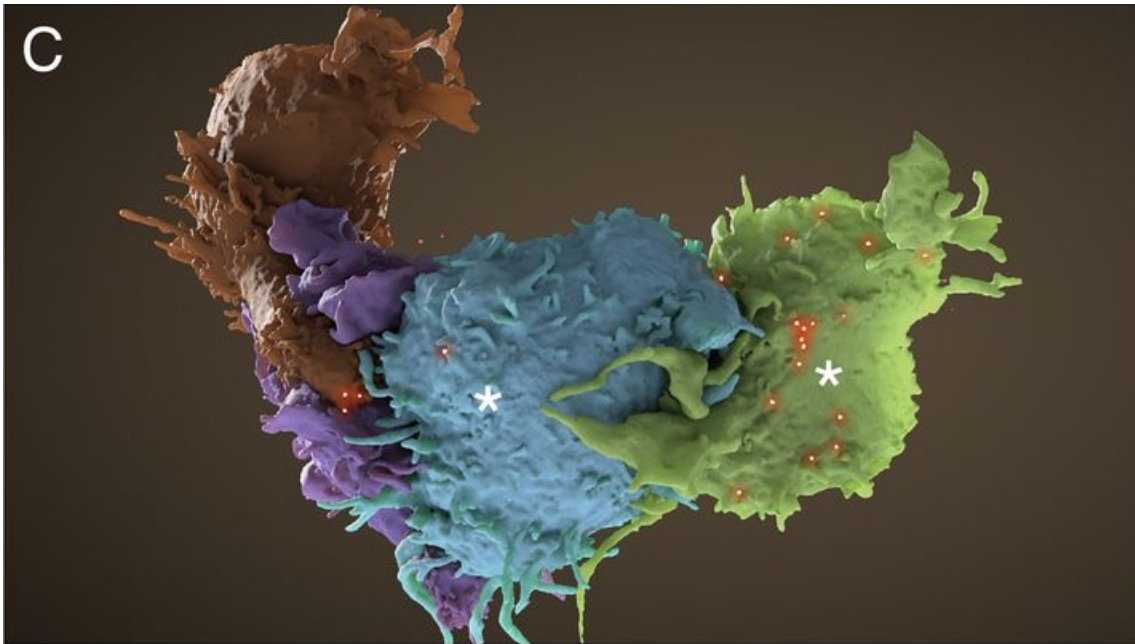
A 3D molecular model showing a viral capsid (grey) at the top and bottom. The capsid is covered with surface proteins, including orange Y-shaped structures and blue cylindrical structures. In the center, there are red Y-shaped structures and two large purple and green structures. The text "Neutralizing Ab" is positioned in the center of the image.

Neutralizing Ab

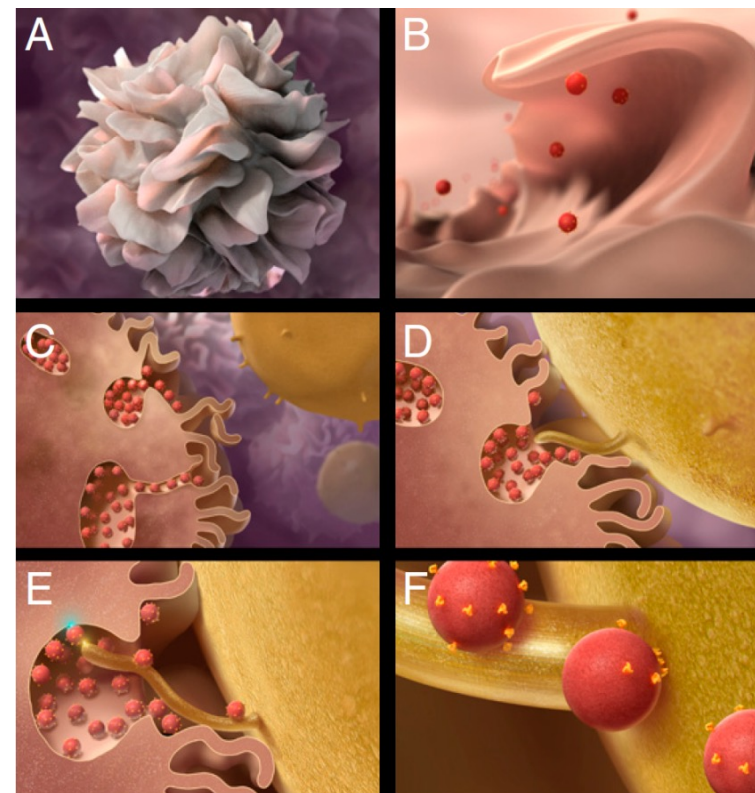
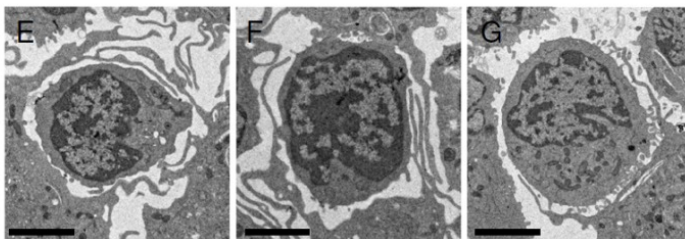
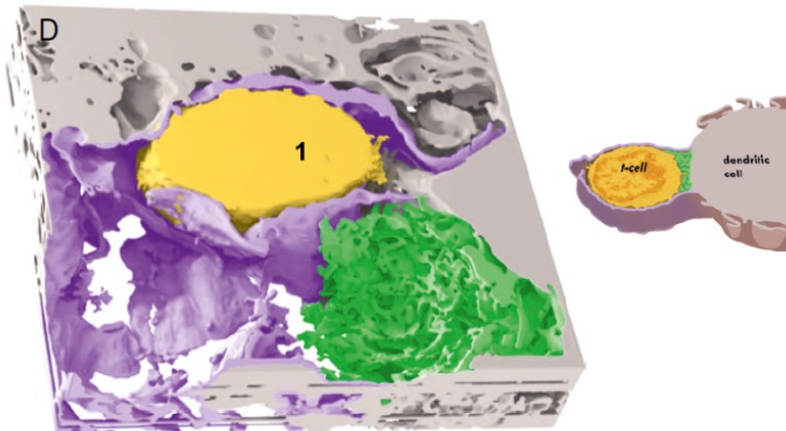
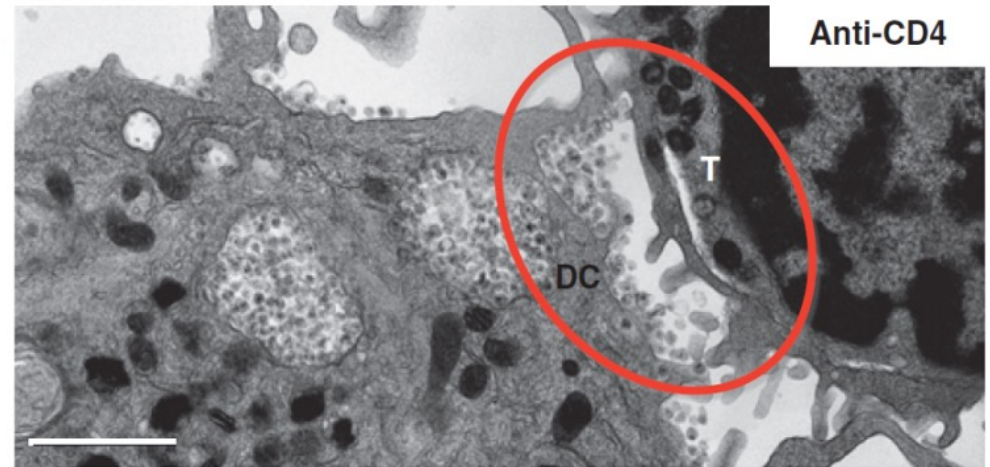
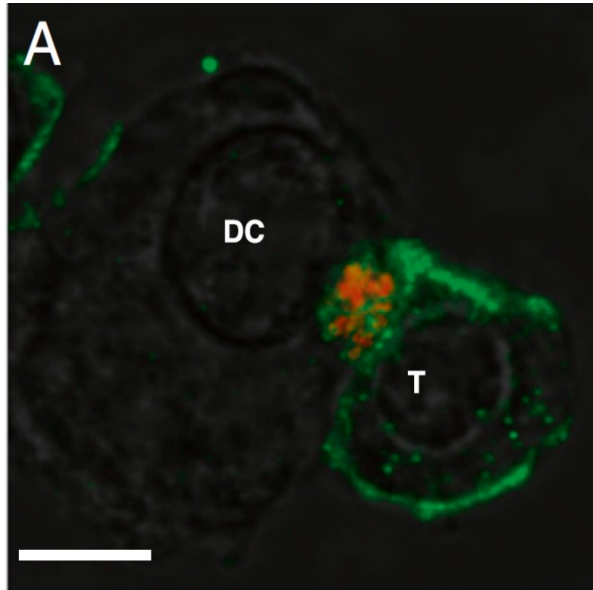
FIB-SEM imaging reveals virological synapses between infected and uninfected T cells.



Virologic Synapses Pose a Challenge to Nab Blockade of Viral Transmission

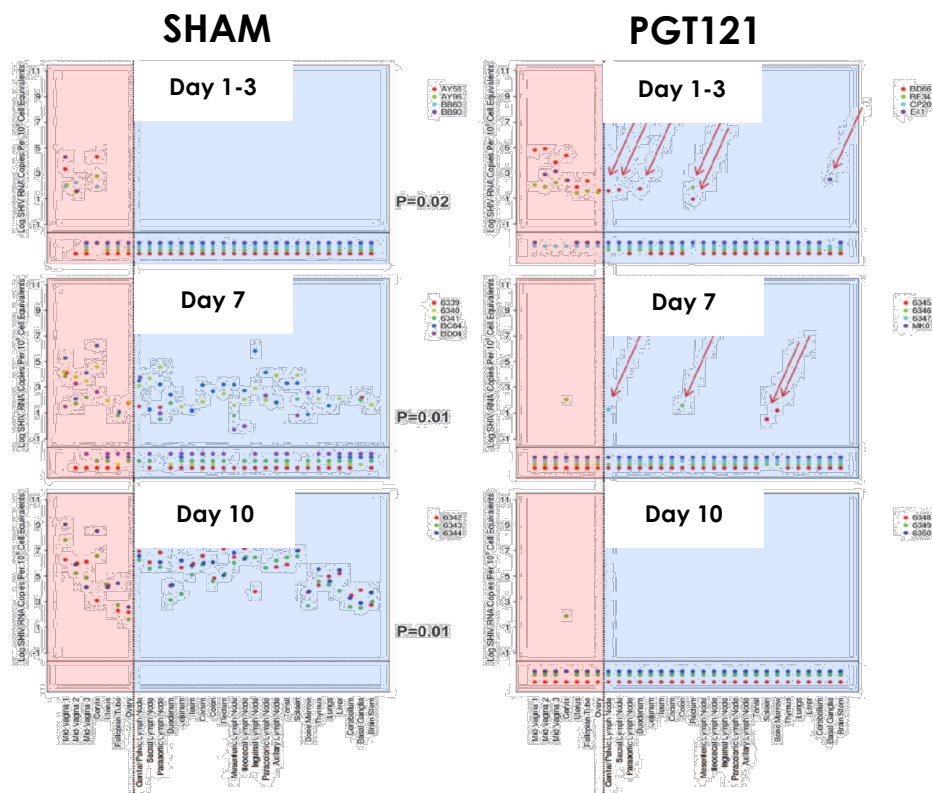


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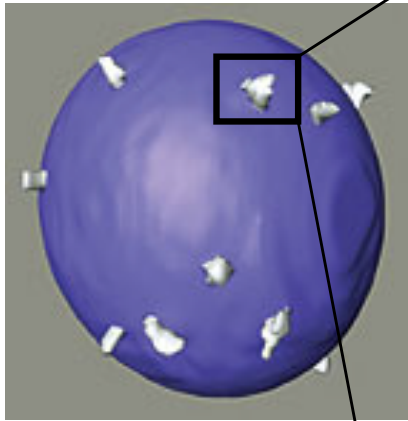
Antibody-mediated protection against SHIV challenge includes systemic clearance of distal virus

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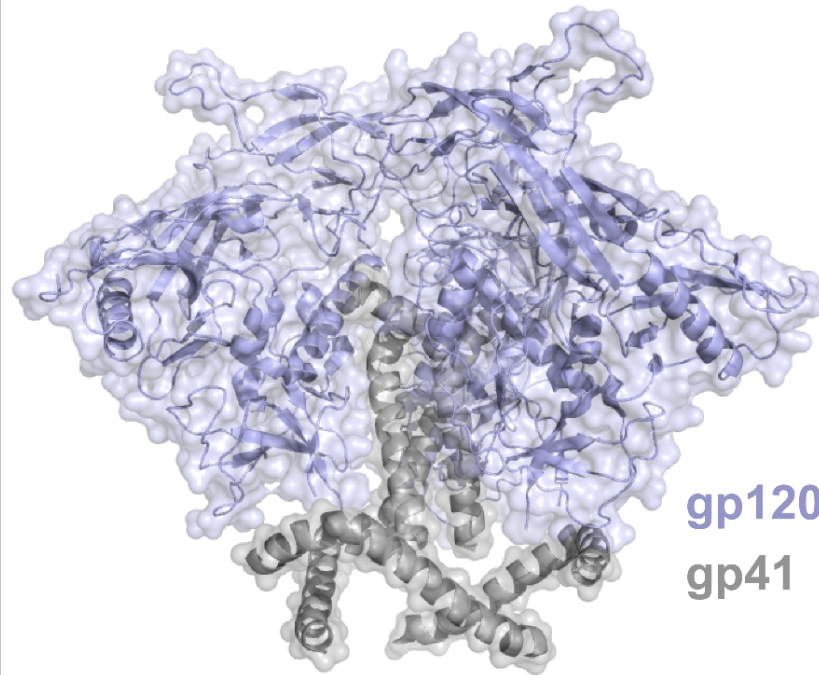


- IVAG SHIV SF162P3 challenge
- Increased early distal vRNA+ tissues with bNAb PGT121 vs. sham control
- Adoptive transfer transmissible virus present early at distal sites with PGT121
- Virus cleared by day 10

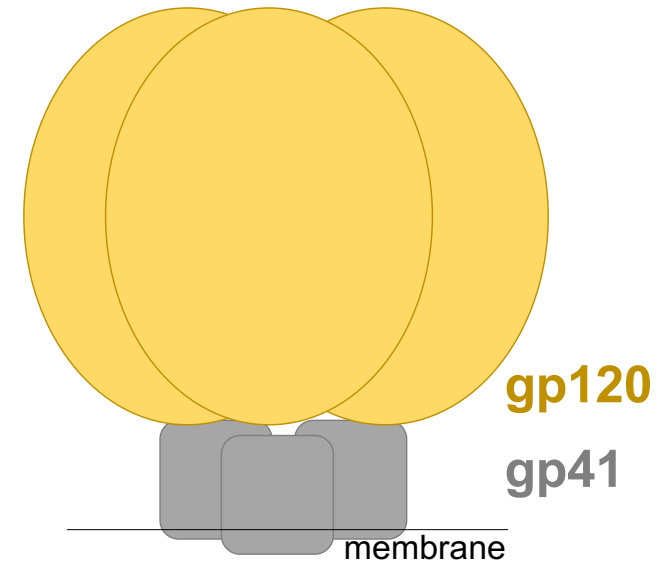
The HIV Env spike, sole target of nAbs, is a metastable trimer of heterodimers



HIV



**Structural representation
(BG505 SOSIP.664)**



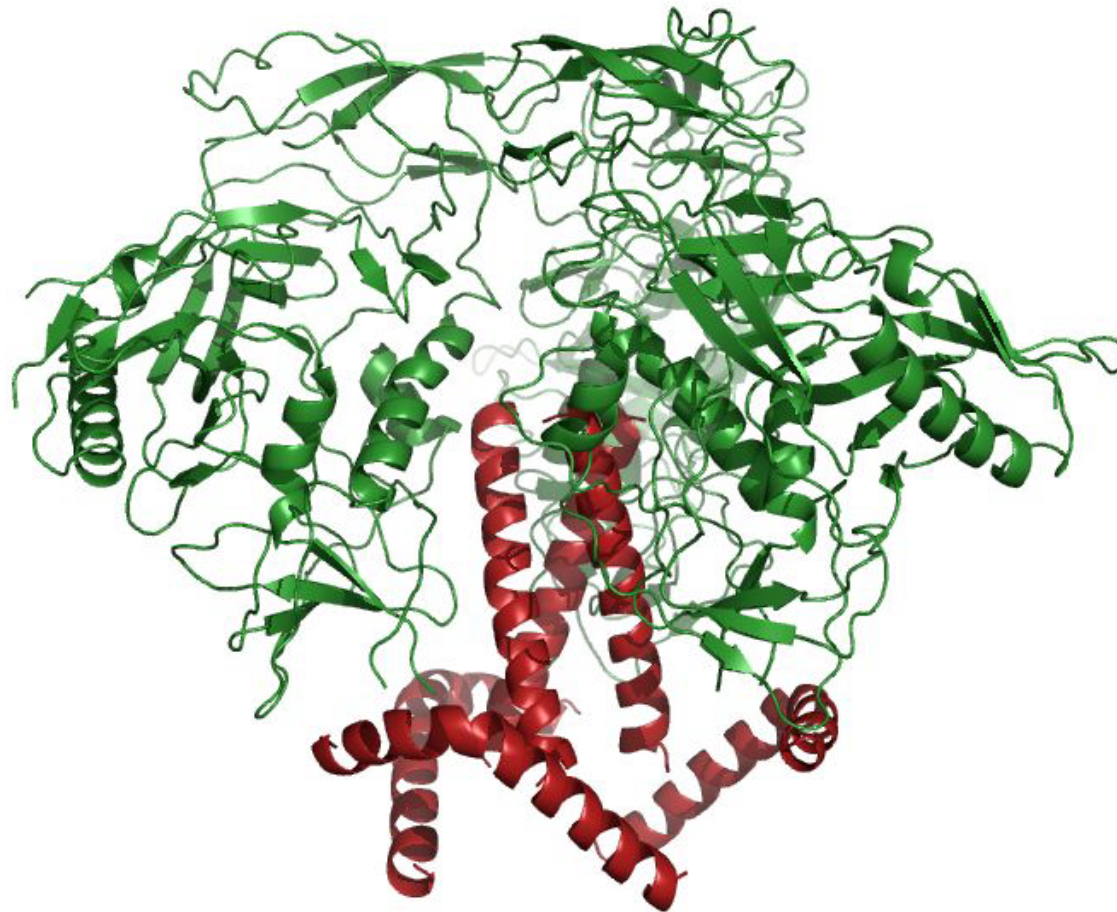
Cartoon illustration

Zhu et al, Nature, 2006
Julien et al, Science, 2013
Lyumkis et al, Science, 2013
Pancera et al, Nature, 2014

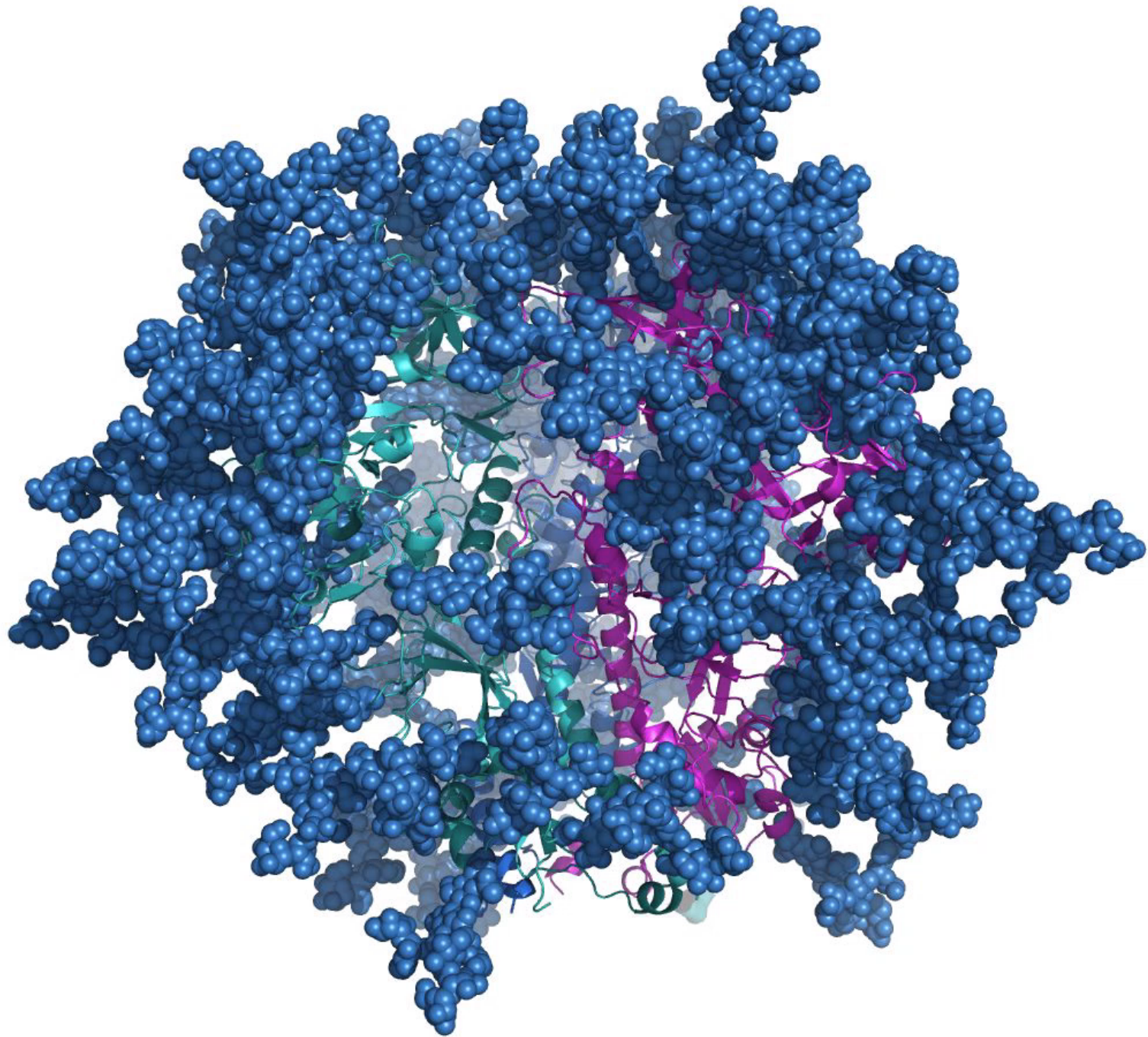
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HIV Spike

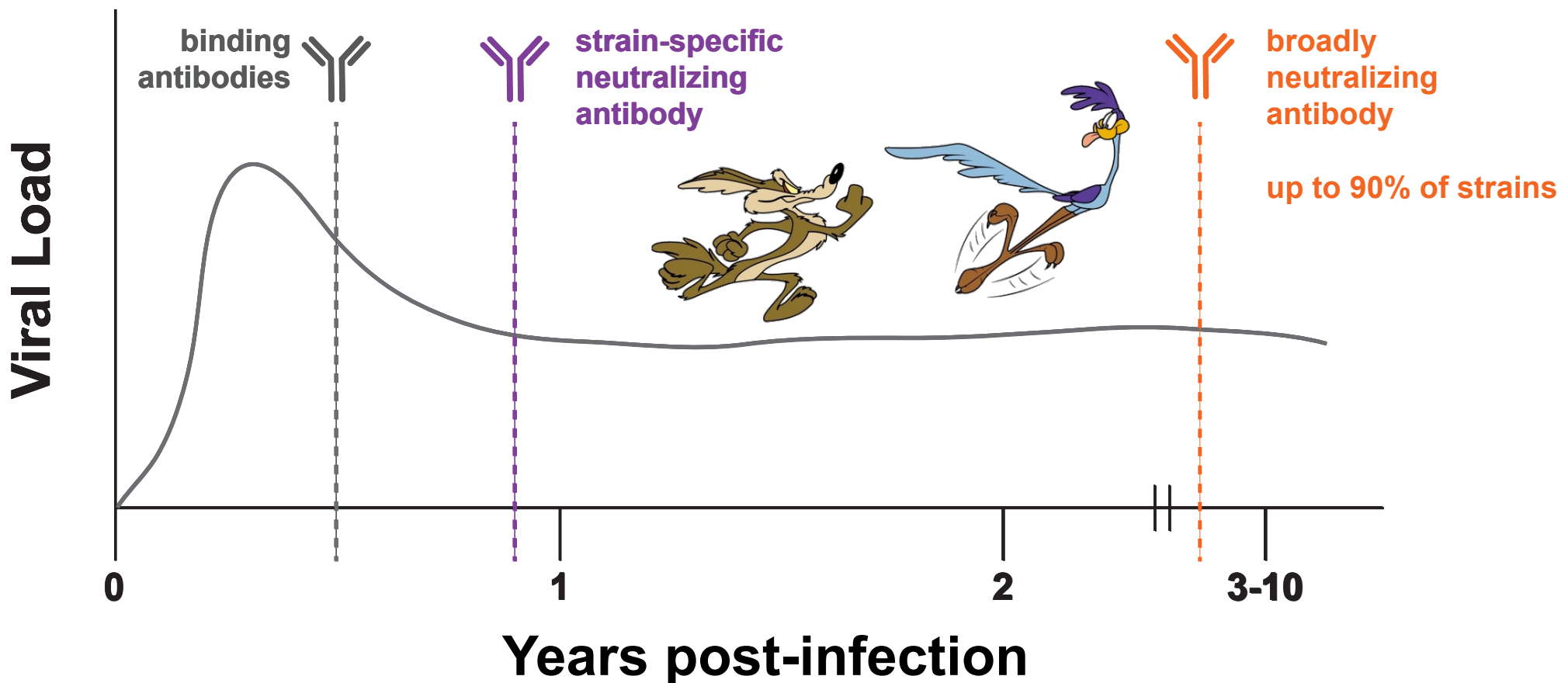
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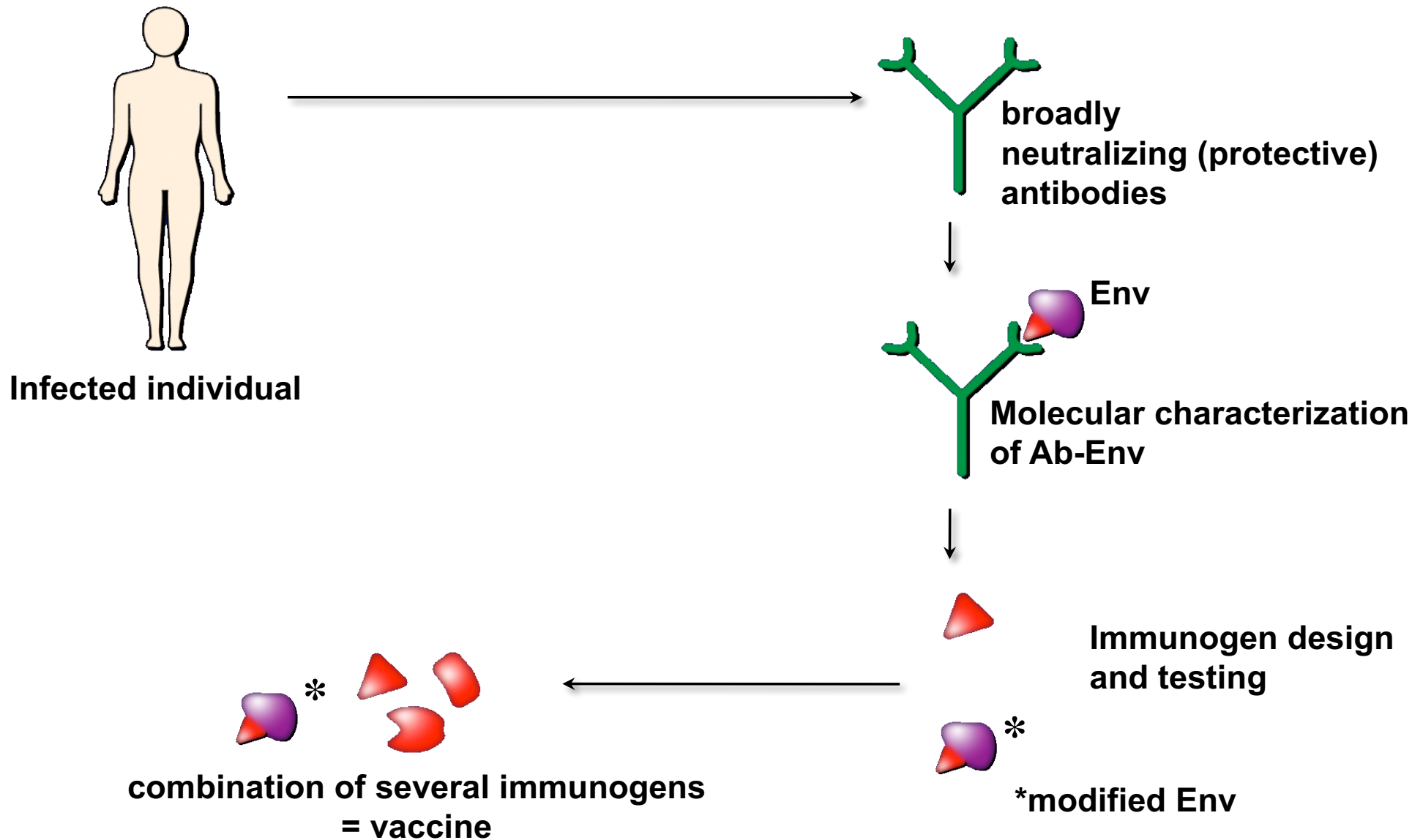
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Despite the evasion tactics by HIV Env, up to 20% of chronically-infected individuals develop broadly neutralizing antibodies

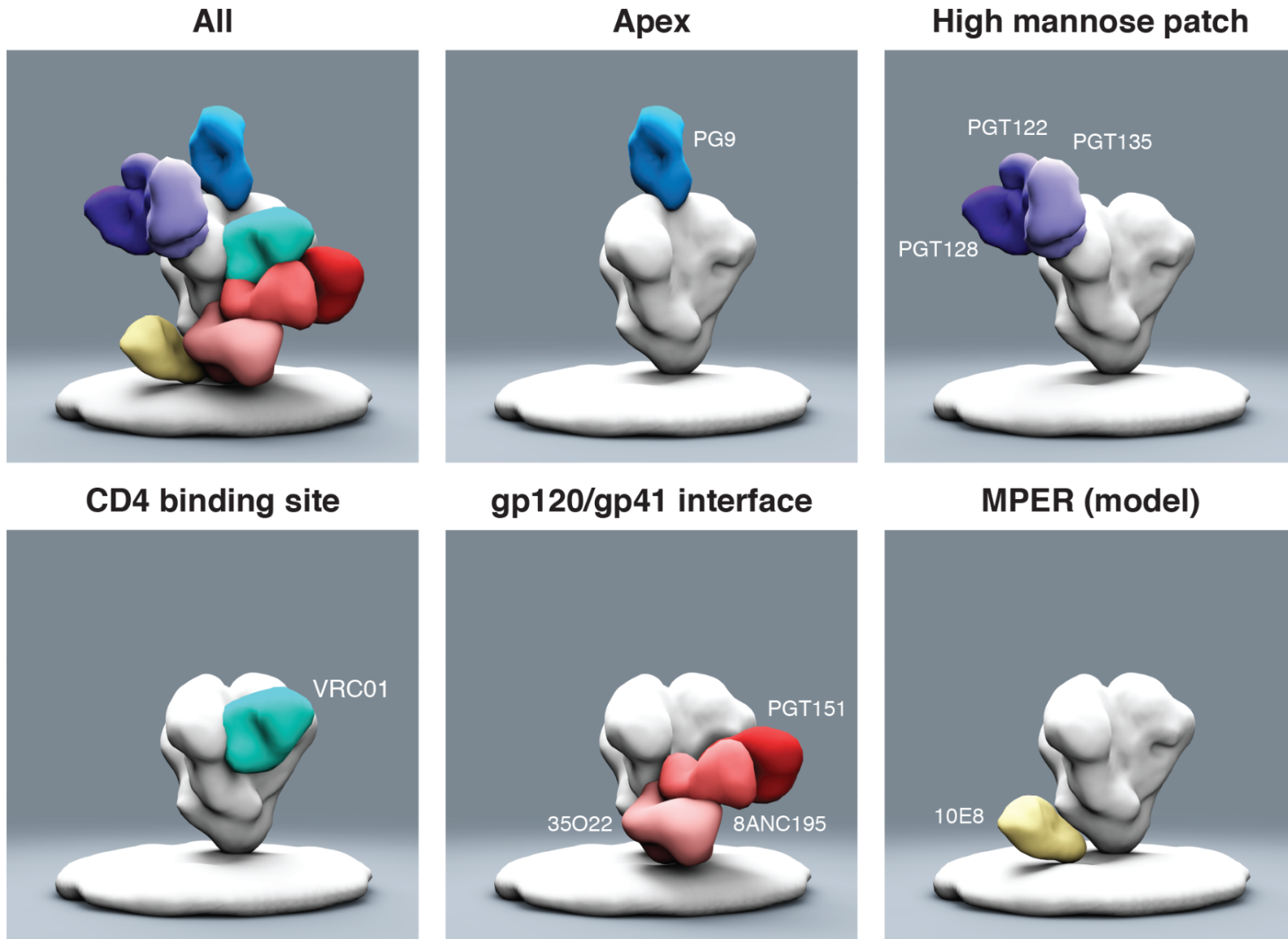


Reverse vaccinology 2.0



(adapted from Burton, Nat. Rev. Immunol., 2:706, 2002;
Rappuoli et al, J Exp Med, 2016).

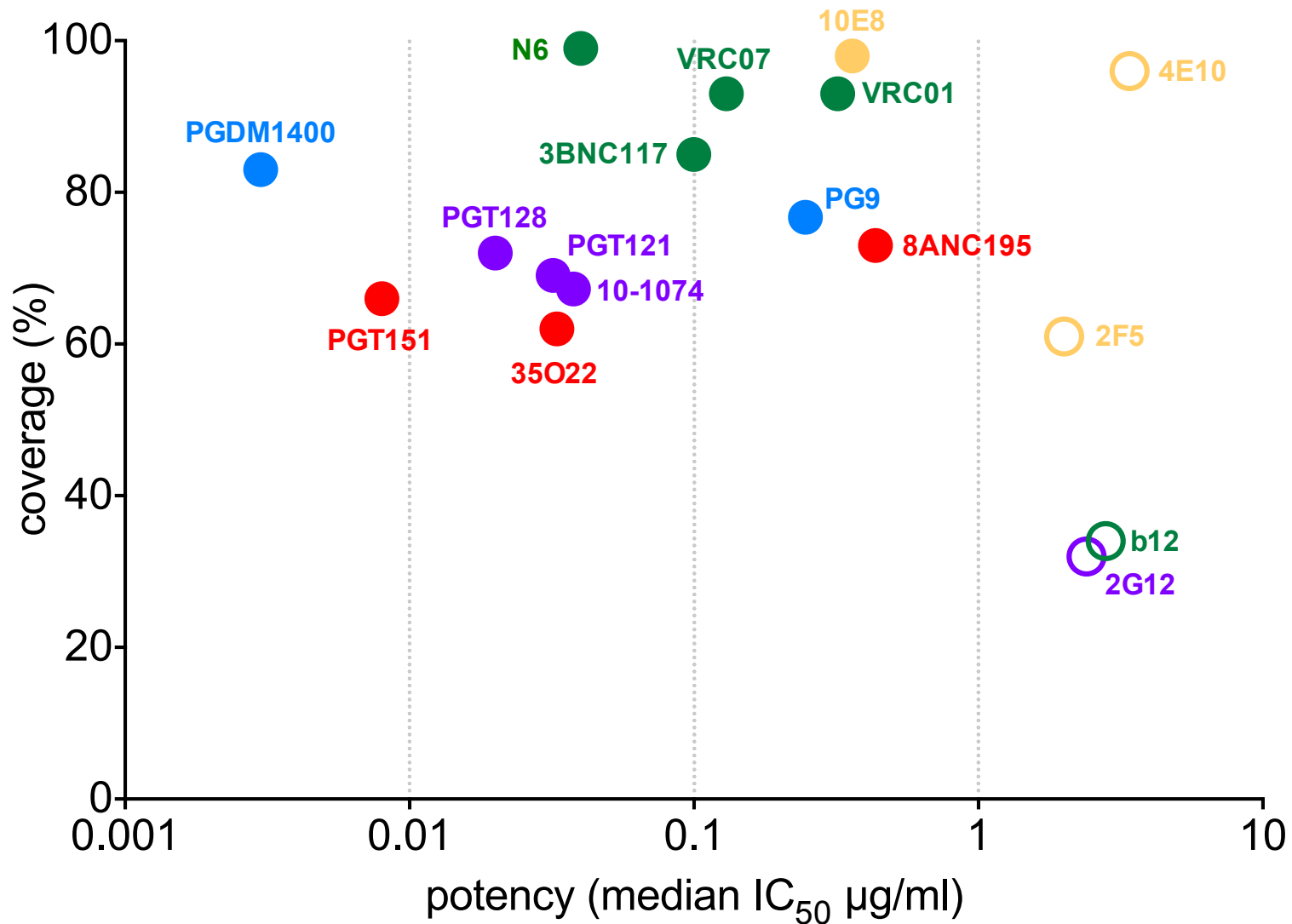
Prototype bnAbs: binding regions



Burton & Hangartner, Ann Rev Imm, 2016

Ward et al

Breadth and potency of prototype bnAbs from natural HIV infection



Additional Obstacles to development of bnAb-targeted vaccines

- **Oddball characteristics of bnMabs**
 - **CDR3 length**
 - **Somatic hypermutation**
- **Bridging the gap from antigen to immunogen**
- **Immunogens, Immunization scheme**
 - **Conformationally authentic trimers**
 - **Germline B cell receptor engagement**
 - **Sequential immunization**
 - **Persistence of antigen in vaccination vs. infection**

Passive BNmAb Administration as Prophylaxis

- **Obviates the “Antigen to Immunogen” challenge**
- **Efficacy demonstrated in NHP models**
- **Clinical studies in progress**
- **Multiple Abs may be necessary to for diversity coverage**
- **Administration/Costs: PK extending modifications**
- **Gene therapy approaches: AAV-vectors**

Non-neutralizing Ab targeted vaccine

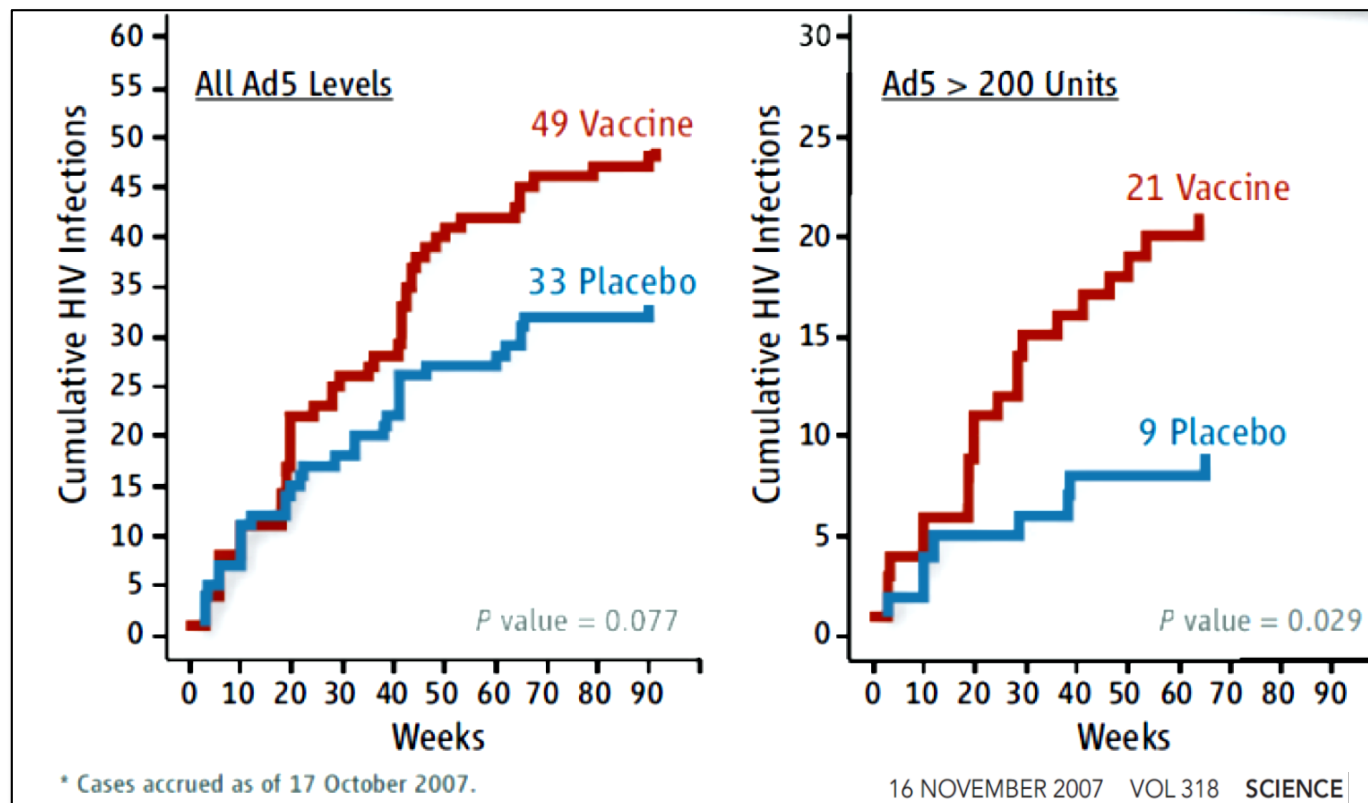
- Conceptual paradigm from RV144 “Thai Trial”
- Modest (31%) efficacy; minimal CD8+ T cell responses, nAb responses
- Immune correlates:
 - CD4+ T cell responses to Env
 - Non neutralizing, ADCC mediating responses to V1V2 region of Env, *in the absence of IgA responses*

Cellular Immunity Targeted Vaccines

Lancet 2008; 372: 1881-93

Efficacy assessment of a cell-mediated immunity HIV-1 vaccine (the Step Study): a double-blind, randomised, placebo-controlled, test-of-concept trial

Susan P Buchbinder, Devan V Mehrotra, Ann Duerr, Daniel W Fitzgerald, Robin Mogg, David Li, Peter B Gilbert, Javier R Lama, Michael Marmor, Carlos del Rio, M Juliana McElrath, Danilo R Casimiro, Keith M Gottesdiener, Jeffrey A Chodakewitz, Lawrence Corey, Michael N Robertson, and the Step Study Protocol Team*





Broadly targeted human cytomegalovirus-specific CD4⁺ and CD8⁺ T cells dominate the memory compartments of exposed subjects

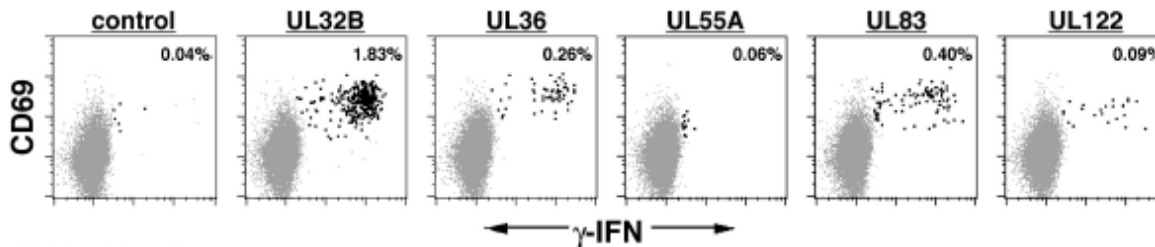
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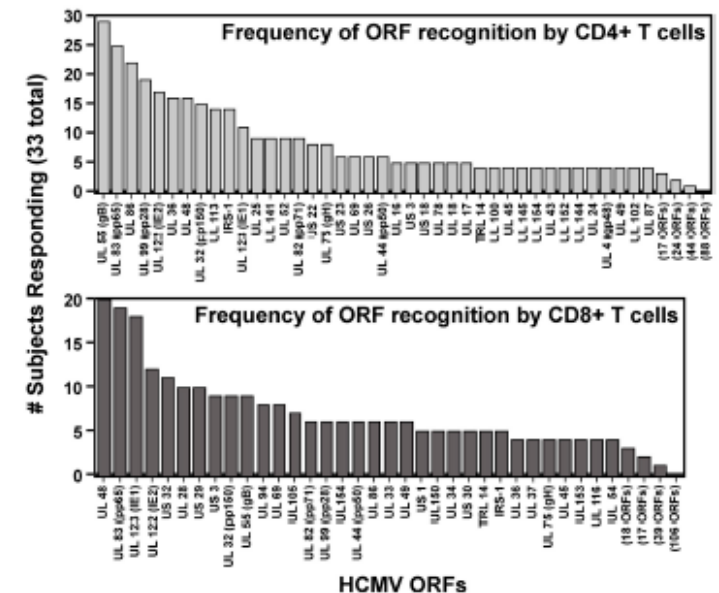
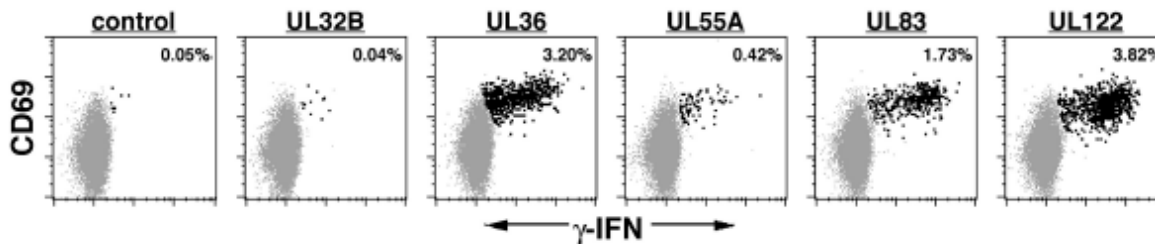
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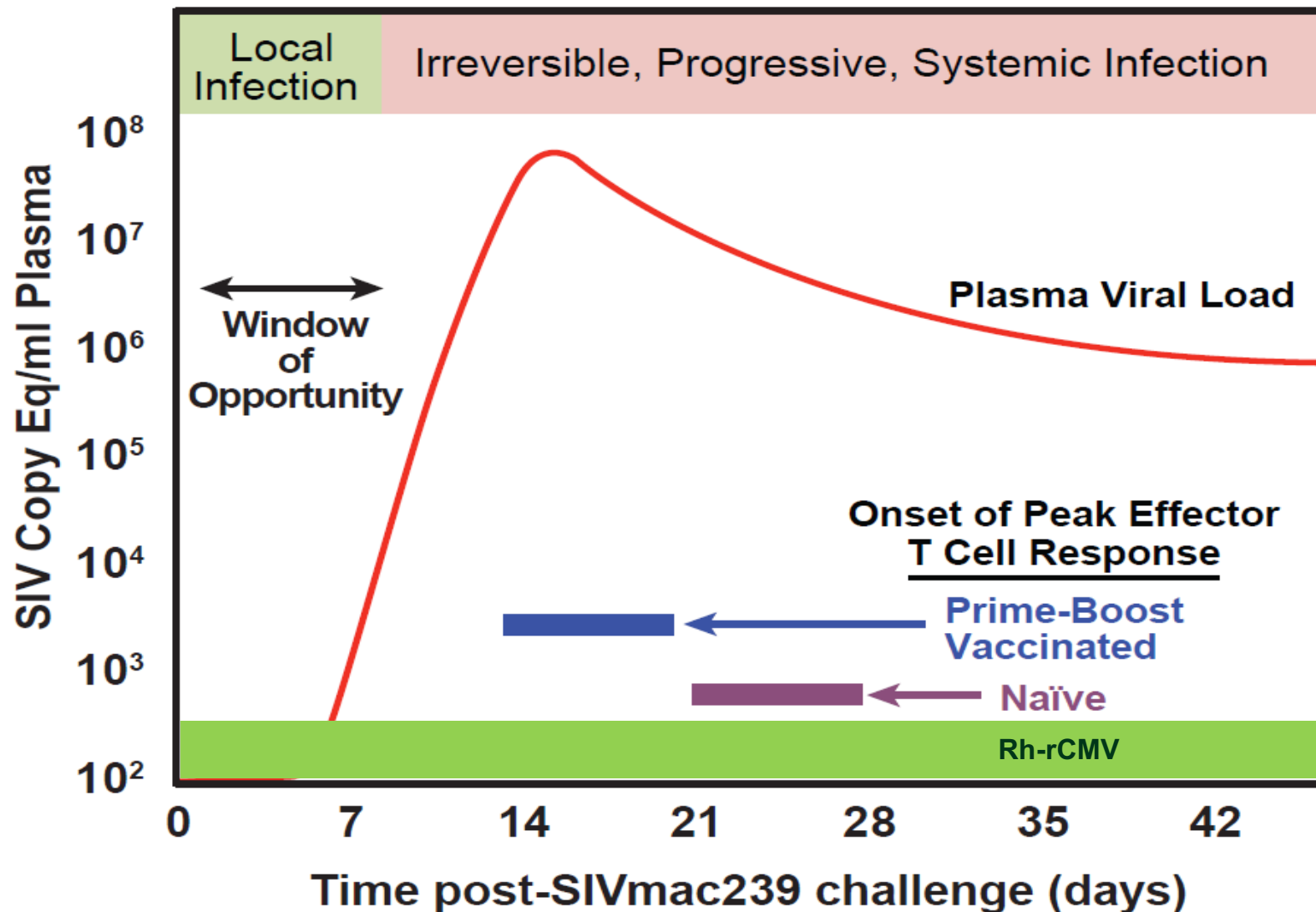
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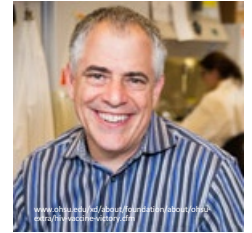
CD8⁺ T cells:



Kinetic Mismatch Barrier for AIDS Vaccines: “Too Little, Too Late”

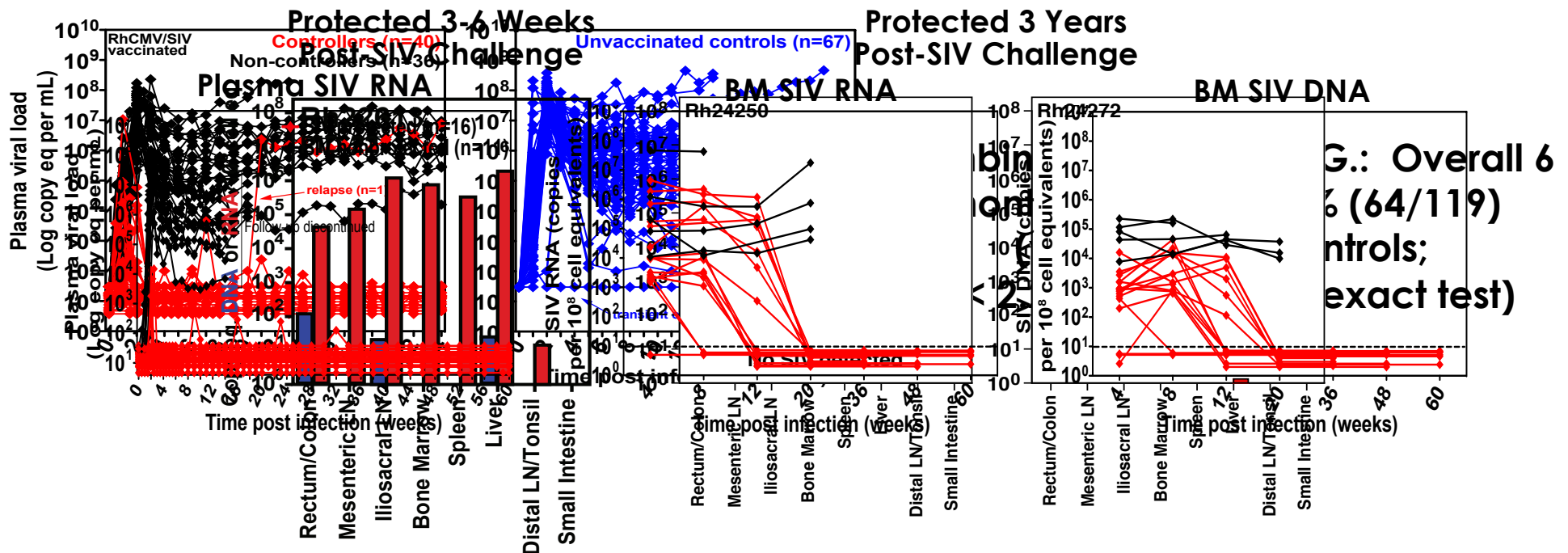


RhCMV as a Vaccine Vector: From Basic Research to an Unconventional Vaccine



- **CMV cellular immune responses**
 - **Broadly specific CD4 and CD8 responses**
 - **Persistent virus→persistent responses**
 - **Effector memory differentiation skewed, immediate effector capacity**
 - **Broad tissue distribution**
- **Would a CMV-vectored SIV vaccine induce SIV-specific responses with these properties?**
- **If so, would these responses be associated with vaccine protection?**

Cellular Only RhCMV-68.1/SIV Vaccine Responses (no Ab) Have Characteristics of CMV Induced Responses and Provide Post-Acquisition Stringent Control of Viral Replication

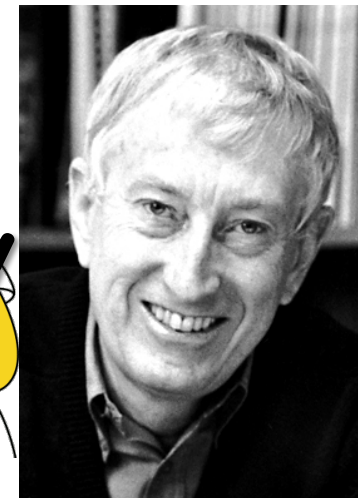


Hansen et al, Nat Med, 2009; Hansen et al, Nature, 2011;
Hansen et al, Nature 2013, Hansen et al, in preparation.

**Progressive clearance of residual virus
from tissue over time!**

Cytomegalovirus Vectors Violate CD8⁺ T Cell Epitope Recognition Paradigms

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CD8+ T Cell Responses Induced by Rh-CMV 68.1 Vectors Are Unconventionally Restricted (MHC Class II and IE)...

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Broadly targeted CD8⁺ T cell responses restricted by major histocompatibility complex E

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...and Unconventional Responses Appear to be Responsible for Vaccine Protection!

Take Home Messages

- **HIV vaccine development represents an extraordinary challenge, due to properties and biology of the target virus**
- **Considerable scientific progress has been made, but an efficacious vaccine remains elusive**
- **Ultimate success will likely depend on unconventional vaccine approaches**
- **The pressing need for a vaccine, and the potential impact of even a partially effective vaccine, motivate and justify continued research in this challenging area**

